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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Unassigned
TADASHI OKAMOTO ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: 09/764,050)
: 1637
Filed: January 19, 2001)
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For: DETECTION/QUANTIFICATION)
OF TARGETED NUCLEOTIDE)
CHAINS, AND DETECTION/)
QUANTIFICATION OF MULTI-)
FOLD NUCLEOTIDE CHAINS)
BY FLUORESCENCE : August 2, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to receipt of the first Office Action on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to ~~amend~~ the subject application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please ~~substitute~~ the TITLE OF THE INVENTION section at page 1, lines 1-4 with the following replacement Title section. A marked-up copy of this section, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.